Illinois Department of Revenue

INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

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+ CHANGES IN HOME RULE SALES TAX IN GALESBURG
Summary: Beginning with your September 1 sales,
report your home rule sales tax to the state.

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|TO:|ALL RETAILERS AND +---+SERVICEPERSONS CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN GALESBURG

This is to remind you that, beginning with sales you make on September 1, 1990, you will report and send to us both the home rule sales tax you collect and the state sales tax you have been collecting. These rates will be combined and preprinted on your Form ST-1, Sales and Use Tax Return.

HAS THE HOME RULE SALES TAX RATE CHANGED?

No change has occurred in Galesburg's 0.75 percent home rule sales tax rate for GENERAL MERCHANDISE. Therefore, the combined general merchandise rate will be 7.00 percent.

You will report receipts from this general merchandise tax on line 4a on the ST-1. Your preprinted return will show the correct combined rate.

Galesburg will continue to exempt QUALIFYING FOOD, DRUGS, AND MEDICAL APPLIANCES from home rule sales tax. Thus the rate for these items appearing on your ST-1 will be 1 percent.

You will report receipts from this food and drug tax on line 5a on the ST-1. Your preprinted return will show the correct combined rate.

DO I CONTINUE TO PAY HOME RULE TAX ON A "CAPPED" AMOUNT?

No. In Galesburg the amount of home rule sales tax has been based upon a "capped" amount, the first \$1,000 of each sales transaction. After September 1, you will charge home rule sales tax on the entire amount of each transaction.

WHAT DO I DO WHEN A CUSTOMER PAYS ME AFTER SEPTEMBER 1 FOR A PURCHASE MADE EARLIER AT A DIFFERENT RATE?

If the original purchase was made at a different tax rate from those rates in Line 4a and 5a, you must report these receipts on Line 8a of the ST-1.

WHAT'S NEW FOR AUTO DEALERS?

If you sell cars or other items that require a title, you should pay special attention. The home rule sales tax does not apply to these sales, and receipts from these sales will continue to be taxed at the current rate of 6.25 percent when reported on Form ST-556.

However, the rate of 7.00 percent reported on Form ST-1 will apply to receipts from sales of general merchandise, such as the parts you sell over the counter and the parts you use during service of motor vehicles and airplanes.

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WHAT'S BEING TAXED?

+ Quarterly filers
You will have two

QUESTIONS?

The home rule sales tax has the same BASE for general merchandise as the state tax you are already familiar with. (The base refers to those items that are taxed. Any item that is exempt from state tax will also be exempt from this home rule tax.)

DO I CHARGE HOME RULE TAX TO ILLINOIS CUSTOMERS WHO LIVE OUTSIDE MY HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY?

Effective September 1, 1990, you will charge home rule tax on your sales (except sales reported on Form ST-556) regardless of your Illinois customer's address or the sale's point of delivery within this state.

WHAT ARE MY SPECIAL FILING INSTRUCTIONS?

+ Monthly filers
Your September return
will be the first
return to have
combined rates. The
due date of October
31, 1990, for the
return for September
1990.

this tax should be
reported directly to
your home rule
municipality. In
addition, motor fuel
subject to the 0.75
percent home rule sa
tax on general
merchandise. You wil

returns for the third quarter. The return for July and August will be preprinted with the lower rates, and a return for September will be preprinted with the higher combined rates. The due date for both returns is October 31, 1990.

+ Annual filers
You will have two
returns. The return
for January through
August will be
preprinted with the
lower rates, and a
return for September
through December will
be preprinted with
the higher combined
rates. The due date
for both returns is
January 31, 1991.

+---+ |TO:|RETAILERS OF MOTOR +---+FUEL

Galesburg's 1-cent-pergallon motor fuel tax remains in effect, and this tax should be your home rule municipality. In addition, motor fuel is subject to the 0.75 percent home rule sales tax on general merchandise. You will report these sales along with all of your other general merchandise sales on your ST-1, paying the combined general merchandise rate of 7 percent.

If you have questions or need more information, please call or write us. Our telephone numbers and address are listed at the bottom of this bulletin.

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